REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 9-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Claims 9-14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Abstract of the Disclosure

Applicant is submitting a substitute Abstract of the Disclosure for that originally filed with this application to more clearly describe the claimed invention. Entry of the substitute Abstract of the Disclosure is respectfully requested.

<u>Amendments to Specification</u>

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to correct the reference number for the projection surface, the spelling of the recessed tooth valley, and to change "cutting portion" to read --cut portion--. It is believed that the foregoing amendments to the specification overcome the outstanding objections thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure of the foregoing amendments to the specification.

Drawings

It is noted that the Examiner has accepted the drawings as filed on November 17, 2003.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled amended claims 9 and 13-14 to obviate the outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112. In claim 9, the "cutting portion" has been changed to read --cut portion--. In claims 13 and 14, "a shortened tooth" has been changed to read --shorter than a third characteristic tooth--. It is believed that the amended claims 9 and 13-14 now specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

It is submitted that the claimed subject matter is described in Applicant's specification in sufficient detail to enable one having ordinary skill in the art to make and use Applicant's invention without undue experimentation. It is believed that Applicant's specification discloses how to make and use the claimed invention.

It is also believed that the amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. It is noted that there are no prior art rejections against claims 9-14 or 16.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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